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For : EVENT CONTROL DEVICE AND DIGITAL BROADCASTING  
SYSTEM

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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,  
Applicants hereby call to the Examiner's attention the following documents:

(1) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 5-11962, which was published  
on January 22, 1993, together with an English language Abstract of the same. Applicants  
note that this document is mentioned on page 1 of the specification of the present  
application;

(2) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 5-250126, which was published  
on September 28, 1993, together with an English language Abstract of the same;  
Applicants also bring to the Examiner's attention the following commonly  
assigned, co-pending divisional applications that are based on parent U.S. Patent

Application No. 09/548,744, which issued as U.S. Patent 6,711,620 on March 23, 2004  
the parent of the present application:

- (3) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/721,416 to YOSHII et al., which published as U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0107248 on June 3, 2004;
- (4) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/756,405 to YOSHII et al., which was filed on January 14, 2004;
- (5) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/756,268 to YOSHII et al., which published as U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0148413 on July 29, 2004;
- (6) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/756,425 to YOSHII et al., which was filed on January 14, 2004;
- (7) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/756,539 to YOSHII et al., which published as U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0148345 on July 29, 2004;
- (8) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/756,503 to YOSHII et al., which was filed on January 14, 2004; and
- (9) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/756,540 to YOSHII et al., which published as U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0148414 on July 29, 2004.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patent application publications are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

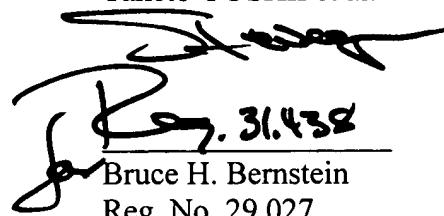
Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents (1) and (2) and the claims of unpublished applications (4), (6), and (8) are attached hereto and all of the published

documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. Applicants note that the specification of the above-captioned application corresponds to the specification of documents (4), (6) and (8), and thus, copies of the specifications for documents (4), (6) and (8) are omitted. Applicants note that patent applications (4), (6), and (8) are not listed on the PTO-1449 Form as they are unpublished documents. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to the Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material. However, if an Office Action on the merits has issued and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p) to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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